### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

MONICA PRESTON Plaintiff,

Case No. Honorable:

v.

REDLINE RECOVERY SERVICES, LLC Defendant

#### **JURISDICTION**

- 1. Jurisdiction of this Court arises under 28 U.S.C. §1367 and 15 U.S.C. § 1692.
- Venue is proper in this District because the acts and transactions occurred here, Plaintiffs
  reside here, and Defendant transacts business here.
- 3. This action arises over calls to a third-party and illegal efforts to use that third-party as a proxy to collect a debt.

#### **PARTIES**

- 4. Plaintiff Monica Preston is a natural person who resides in Montrose, County of Genesee, State of Michigan, and is a "consumer" pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1692a (3) because she is allegedly obligated to pay a debt.
- 5. Defendant Redline Recovery Services, L.L.C. (hereinafter "Defendant") is a "debt collector" as defined by 15 U.S.C. §1692a (6).

#### **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 6. Plaintiff Monica Preston incurred a financial obligation that was primarily for personal, family or household purposes based upon the use of a WAMU credit card which is a "debt" under 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(5).
- 7. Plaintiff Monica Preston failed to pay the debt and it went into default.

- 8. Sometime subsequent to the debt going into default, Defendant obtained the defaulted debt and began calling Plaintiff on her cell phone in the months of August and September 2011.
- 9. Plaintiff never provided the original creditor with the cell phone number on the application for credit and never consented to receiving calls to her cell phone.
- 10. On information and belief, Defendant used equipment that had the capacity to auto dial when it called Plaintiff.
- 11. Defendant left prerecorded messages and/or artificial messages on Plaintiffs cell phone when it called.
- 12. Defendant acted knowingly in calling Plaintiff on her cell phone using equipment that had the capacity to autodial and when leaving prerecorded or artificial voice messages.
- 13. Defendant acted willfully in calling Plaintiff on her cell phone using equipment that had the capacity to autodial and when leaving prerecorded or artificial voice messages.
- 14. Plaintiff seeks damages for each and every call to her cell phone, not simply those in which Plaintiff has evidence of receipt.
- 15. Defendants' calls to Plaintiff were "communications" as they were communications regarding a debt directly or indirectly to Plaintiff, a person, through a telephone as defined by 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(2).

# COUNT I VIOLATIONS OF THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT 15 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq.

- 16. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully stated herein.
- 17. Defendant, by using a medium it was not authorized to use, used deceptive means to collect a debt thus violating 15 U.S.C. § 1692e(10).

- 18. Plaintiff was damaged by the acts of Defendant.
- 19. Plaintiff seeks statutory damages, costs and reasonable attorney fees as stated below.

#### COUNT II VIOLATIONS OF THE TELEPHONE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT 47 U.S.C. § 227

- 20. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully stated herein.
- 21. On information and belief, Defendant used an automatic telephone dialing system as defined by 47 USC § 227 (a)(1) when it made each and every call to Plaintiffs cell phone in the last four years.
- 22. On information and belief, Defendant did not have Plaintiff's prior express permission prior to contacting Plaintiff on her cell phone using an automatic telephone dialing system.
- 23. Defendant made the calls to Plaintiff willfully.
- 24. Defendant made the calls to Plaintiff knowingly.
- 25. Defendant's acts in making the calls to Plaintiff were not accidental.
- 26. Plaintiff has been damaged by the above acts.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that judgment be entered against each and every Defendant.

#### TRIAL BY JURY

27. Plaintiff is entitled to and hereby respectfully demand a trial by jury. US Const. Amend.7. Fed.R.Civ.P. 38.

#### **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray that judgment be entered against Defendant:

#### **COUNT I**

## VIOLATIONS OF THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT 15 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq.

- for an award of statutory damages of \$1,000.00 pursuant to 15 U.S.C. \$1692k(a)(2)(A) against Defendant and for Plaintiff;
- for an award of costs of litigation and reasonable attorney's fees pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §
   1692k(a)(3) against Defendant and for Plaintiff;
- for such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

#### COUNT II VIOLATIONS OF THE TELEPHONE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT 47 U.S.C. §227

- damages pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227 (b)(3)(B) for each and every call in the amount
  of at least \$500 for each such act that this Court finds were not made willfully or not
  made knowingly;
- damages pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227 (b)(3)(B) for each and every call in the amount
  of \$1,500 for each such act that this Court finds were made willfully or were made
  knowingly; and
- such other relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 8, 2012 /s/ Andrew L. Campbell

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